

| Hazard    | Proposed Mitigation Action   |
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| Wildfire  | Provide training for each County and municipal building inspector so that building code enforcement is consistent throughout the County. |
| Landslide | Develop language for potential inclusion in subdivision regulations requiring grading permits to minimize the potential for landslides.  |

### **Selected Actions Addressing Continued Participation in the NFIP**

All local jurisdictions in Union County except Hartleton Borough, which does not have locations that are prone to flooding, participate in the NFIP. Nevertheless, flooding continues to threaten the safety and security of County residents. The eight mitigation actions displayed in Table 36 address participation in the NFIP beyond meeting the usual minimum NFIP standards.

**Table 36: NFIP Continued Participation Proposed Actions**

| Hazard   | Proposed Mitigation Action   |
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| Flooding | Continue to work with township and borough officials to increase awareness among residents and business owners about NFIP insurance.                               |
| Flooding | Invite State NFIP Coordinator to schedule a Community Assistance Visit to ensure continued compliance with NFIP regulations.                                       |
| Flooding | Conduct systematic examination of structures in Special Flood Hazard Area to identify potential violations such as unvented enclosures below base flood elevation. |
| Flooding | Review paper/electronic files relating to development in Special Flood Hazard Areas to ensure that elevation certificates have been saved.                         |
| Flooding | Sponsor a workshop about costs and benefits of purchasing and maintaining flood insurance for any interested community residents and business owners.              |
| Flooding | Attend NFIP training workshops offered in Pennsylvania for local officials and encourage local officials to become Certified Floodplain Managers.                  |
| Flooding | Examine feasibility of jurisdictions besides Hartleton Borough, Lewisburg Borough and Limestone Township to participate in the Community Rating System.            |
| Flooding | Obtain first floor elevations for all structures in identified Special Flood Hazard Areas (including “pre-FIRM” structure built before                             |

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|        | flood insurance rates maps were developed for the County). |

### **Selected Actions That Incorporate Mitigation into Other Plans**

Some mitigation actions involve the incorporation of mitigation strategies into existing planning mechanisms. Seven proposed mitigation actions, not necessarily different from those listed elsewhere in this section, involve such incorporation.

Union County has demonstrated its ability to implement sustainable initiatives through its planning mechanisms. Mitigation strategies proposed in the previous plan were incorporated into the County stormwater management and emergency management and hazardous material spills plans.

Table 37 lists proposed mitigation actions that will involve the incorporation of hazard mitigation actions into other planning mechanisms.

**Table 37: Actions to Incorporate into Other Planning Mechanisms**

| Hazard   | Proposed Mitigation Action  | Related Planning Mechanism(s)                                |
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| Flooding | Work with property owners of historic structures to examine the possibility of wet flood-proofing to reduce future flood damages.   | Historic Preservation Ordinance                              |
| Flooding | Develop language for potential inclusion in zoning regulations allowing higher density cluster development to limit the location of future development in Special Flood Hazard Areas  | Zoning Ordinances  |
| Flooding | Examine the benefit of increasing the current 1.5-foot freeboard requirement in local flood damage prevention ordinances so that structures are protected to a level greater than the established base flood elevation.       | Subdivision Regulations / Flood Damage Prevention Ordinances |
| Flooding | Develop language for potential inclusion in flood damage prevention ordinances extending elevation and flood-proofing requirements to structures in the area just beyond the Special Flood Hazard Area that has been shown by | Flood Damage Prevention Ordinances / Permitting Process      |